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FOREWORD

THE following pages compiled by Mabel P. Stivers, contain a short sketch of the Jeremiah Johnson Family of New Haven, Ct. also some of the allied families, namely, Col. Ebehnezer Johnson, Carrington, Harger, Fulford, Peck, Lanfair, Lancraft, Tuttle, Summers, Goodsell and Durand.

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COAT OF ARMS. JOHNSON.

In the "Early Settlers of America" pp. 293, the Johnson Arms are given as follows: Gu, on a chevron, between 3 fleur-de-lis, arg. 3 escollops of the field. Crest. An arm, couped at the elbow, erect, holding an arrow; proper. Motto. Deo regique debee.

Salisbury Genealogy, vol. 3, pp. 305, gives the following: "In the line of Rev. Stephen Johnson of Lyme, Conn., there has come down a coat of arms supposed to have been copied from an older painting in the family. Az., a chevron. Or, in chief 2 eagles volant, in base a sun, of the second." This I have chosen as correct for the Jeremiah Johnson family as the Rev. Stephen Johnson of Lyme was a great-grandson of Thomas Johnson of New Haven, Conn., and Newark, N. J., and the latter was a brother of Jeremiah Johnson.

JEREMIAH JOHNSON FAMILY.

Three brothers from Yorkshire, England, John, Robert and Thomas, came to New Haven, Ct., in 1639.

Thomas, with Thomas Ashley was drowned in New Haven harbor in 1640, leaving two sons, Thomas, who was one of the founders of Newark, N. J., and Jeremiah of Derby, Ct. (New Eng. Historical and Biographical Register, vol 66, p. 15); (New Haven Colony Records, vol. 1).

In Colonial Records of Conn., vol. 1, p. 49, is an inventory of the goods of Thomas Johnson dec'd turned in to the Court. 11£. 5s. 10d. May 7-1640. (pp. 55.) Andrew Bacon and John Barnard are appointed to sell the goods of the Cobbler Thomas Johnson, dec'd formerly taken by Invent. July 2-1640. (pp. 453.) Invent. of Thomas Johnson. "To Goodman Hill a Coat, shirt and band, 2 pr. stockings and hose yarn, a pr. high shoes, a piece of leather, 5 bands, a shirt, a redde wascoat, a parre of start-ups (kind of high shoes), a sheete of appareel, a pestell, a hatte, 3 pieces of leather, ½# of pepper, a seefe bottom, a syth, a shirt and 2 bands, 2 perre of breeches, a piece of maslin, leather, 3 hatchets, 1 shurt 1 pr of shoes and boots, 2 pieces of leather, 3 perre of boots, Mr. Welles distreyned a musket, a sword, bandaleres, and a rest. 10£. 13s. 5d. The debt he owed upon the distresse and for recording Inventory. Goodman Hill owed him 10£."

Jeremiah Johnson came from New Haven March 2-1672 and occupied land granted to him on Sentinel Hill.

Derby Published Land Rec. pp. 78. "At a meeting of ye Inhabitants of pagassett Mar. 2-1672, the inhabitants have granted to Jeremiah Johnson a tract of land on Sentinel Hill, 30 acres more or less, bounded west by land of Sergt. Riggs, Francis French and Joshua Hodgkis, south by highway and east with the common,

northeast with ye town's land. This land is granted to ye sd Jeremiah Johnson provided ye sd Jeremiah Johnson come and settle at Pagassett, build and fence within 2 years after this Debate."

'At a Town Meeting att Derby Dec. 26-1677 granted to Jeremiah Johnson Sen. a piece of land joyning to his former grant of pastor land."

In 1681 Jeremiah Johnson's estate is listed as "2 persons 36£., 1 ox, 1 cow, 2- 4 yr olds, 1-3 yr old, 1 two yr old, 2 yearlings, 1 horse, 1-3 yr old, 4 swine, Land 80£. 10s."

Hist. of Derby, pp. 109. List of those in town in Mar. 1702. Jeremiah Johnson, Jeremiah Jr. and Dr. Durand amongst them.

Hist. of Derby, pp. 83. In 1681 Jeremiah Johnson's land consisted of 3½ acres Home lot, 4 acres on Sentinel Hill, 3 acres of meadow at Rimmon, 5 acres of plow land.

In the Hist. of Derby is the following, Mar. 15- 1670. The inhabetants of Pagaset are as foloeth: Ed. woster: frances French: Joseph hawkins: Samuel Riges: Ephraim Smith: Abell Gun: Stephen person: Jerymiah Johnson. (probably 1670).

feb. 29: 1671 Mr. joseph hawley hath his fourth Division on Sentanal Hill Nere Jerymiah johnsons field.

"Att a meting of the planters of Pagaset: Dec. 12- 1673: they have granted To Jerymiah johnson a pece of land for a pastar being on the South Side of the brock that lieth against his hous."

"Dec. 30- 1678: The Town have granted to Jer: Johnson Twenty acres of land at the loer end of the plaine against Rock Rimmon."

Jeremiah Johnson was a very influential man in Derby and held many of the Town's offices. In 1680 he was appointed Constable, which appointment he also held in 1683, in 1685 he was appointed Townsman, on Dec. 3-1692 Jeremiah Johnson Sen. "one of a Comitty to secure a minister also appointed Cunstable."

"July 27: 1693 at a lawful town meting agreed to send to Mr. James to com and give us a vizet and let us assist in his labor. Jeremiah Johnson senneor to go to him."

"November 13: 1693 at a lawful town meting at derby the town have hirered the north end of the hous that was Doctor guns, lower

and uper rome and half the Seller, use of the oven opning, with the north west end of the barn, and the town is to give Jeremiah Johnson seneor 20 shillings a yer for them:"

"March 8-1695 at a lawful town meeting at derby the town hired the house and the South end of the barn that was Doctor guns of Jeremiah Johnson Sener and they are to give him on pound ten shiling a year for them, only Jeremiah Johnson Juner is to remouv out of the hous with his family by the first of may next. further at the sam time the town have chosen Jeremiah Johnson Juner to looke out and get too thousand foot bords for the ministers hous."

Dec. 11: 1702. Jeremiah Johnson Seneor was appointed one of the collectors of the ministers salary, which was after the ministers house was built (now standing on Elm St. Ansonia, the home also of Rev. Daniel Humphreys) and Mr. James was settled in it as their minister.

As a specimen of their devotion to their church, the following story is told in Orcutt's Hist. of Derby. During the early days of the settlement before they had the services of a minister, it was customary for the few families then living in Derby to go to Milford to meeting. The father of a family named Johnson (and there was but one here then), consisting of the parents and several small children, went on Sunday morning to Milford for the two services. After his departure as his wife was sitting by the open door dressing the children, she heard a sound outside and thought it was a hog, but somehow it seemed different so she reached and closed the door which fastened with a latch and then rising made it more secure with a bar and went upstairs and looked out of the window, when lo! a full grown bear was seen; she took the gun always ready in those days of Indian alarms and fired killing the animal, although she did not know that for certain until her husband returned at close of day. The hours went slowly there alone in the midst of the wilderness until he came, when he called a council of the neighbors with him to decide whether it would be lawful to eat the meat of an animal killed on Sunday. It was finally decided to be "Christianly consistent to eat the meat as it was killed in self defence."

I am sure this was Jeremiah Johnson's family as he came first from New Haven to settle in 1670 with a family of young children, the oldest being six yrs old, one four yrs old, and a baby.

Col. Ebenezer Johnson came in 1671, a single man, marrying in the Fall of that same year, his first child was not born until 1672, in which year or 1673 Rev. John Bowers came to Derby to preach.

Jeremiah Johnson sr. married in New Haven Sarah Hotchkiss sister of Joshua Hotchkiss, the latter quite a famous man in his day, he settled for a time near his sister and her husband on Sentinel Hill.

Their children, those of Jeremiah and Sarah were:

Jeremiah Jr. born Apr. 25-1664. William born Sept. 15-1665. John born July 30-1666 married Mary Washburn. Samuel born Mar. 8-1670. Moses born Apr. 10-1674 married Sarah Adam removed to Newtown. Ebenezer born Sept. 12-1699 married Hannah . . . . Elizabeth born May 2-1684. There seems to be a difference of opinion regarding the birth dates of the later children. Seymour Past and Present and the Hist. of Derby differ.

"Dec. 12: 1692 ey Jeremiah Johnson Sen of derby in new england do give to my oldest son thes pasuld of land as foloweth, i say I do freely, volentaryly give to Jeremiah gunier my oldest son namely half of my hom lot containing 2 acres be it more or less, further I the said Jeremiah John seneor do give to the aboue said gunier foure acres of my paster."

Jeremiah Johnson Sr. died in 1703-4 and was buried in the old Colonial Burying Ground, Derby Ct.

In New Haven Probate Records, vol. 3, pp. 35, is given amongst the estate of Jeremiah Johnson of Derby, June 3-1704. "gun, sword and ammunition." Sarah Johnson named administrator, appraisers, Abel Holbrook, Jeremy Johnson, Daniel Hotchkiss, Jobamah Gunn and others "Witness that we whose names are under written have agreed thus, that Moses and Ebenezer Johnson do acknowledge themselves bound to ye fullfilment of a former agreement made between our Father and them which is as follows, to wit that the said Moses and Ebenezer did engage to till yearly for winter corn for our mother her use and improvement and harvest

ye crop, 5 acres of land at Sentinel Hill and for further improvement 2 acres in ye close and also to Provide her a comfortable home to live in as also to find her with firewood, as also hay for her cattle and get it home, our mother having the whole of the moveable part of our father's estate at her disposal. Agreed at the same time that Jeremiah enjoy that part of the homestead he now stands possessed of, as also 6 acres of land on Sentinel Hill joining to the north side of his own land he Jeremiah resigning his right to that part of the Pasture formerly given him. Agreed at the same time that John Johnson have for his part of the land on Sentinel Hill, 5 acres joining to the north side of above and that Samuel Johnson have 5 acres north side of John's land. Also Moses and Ebenezer agree to pay all debts. Also to pay to our two sisters Abigail and Elizabeth Johnson 5£. apiece. After all which upon the mother's decease the remainder to be divided between Moses and Ebenezer." Signed Jeremiah, John, Moses, Ebenezer and Elizabeth and before the children's signatures that of the mother, Sarah Johnson.

Jeremiah Johnson Jr. son of Jeremiah and Sarah (Hotchkiss) Johnson married Elizabeth daughter of Col. Ebenezer Johnson and Elizabeth Wooster in 1692.

He was as prominent a man in church and town matters as his father. In 1684 the town granted him a home lot of 4 acres in Scraping Hole Plain.

In Dec: 1702 he is appointed fence viewer for Centinel Hill field. Dec. 9: 1707 the town appoints Jeremiah Johnson to audit the accounts with the town treasurers for the last year.

The children of Jeremiah Jr. and Elizabeth Johnson were: Gideon born 1694, Joseph born 1696, Benajah born July 24-1704, Abner born Apr. 10-1709. (Seymour Past and Present pp. 495.) Jeremiah Jr. died Dec. 11-1726.

New Haven Probate Records, vol. 5, pp. 341. "Jan. 17-1727 estate of Jeremiah Johnson Jr. late of Derby, Ct. Elizabeth, widow and Benajah, son named executors. pp. 363. Invent. of Jeremiah Johnson Jr. dec'd in the year 1726." 2 guns, 1 cutlass, 2 # of pow-

der, 7 # of lead, House and homestead, 45 acres of land, another homestead, 88 acres of land besides many other items.

On pp. 401. New Haven Probate Records is given Benajah's account as administrator, mentions a married daughter and Tamar Wooster. (pp. 433.) Joseph Johnson one of the elder sons, 2 younger brothers. Division of property, To widow house etc. on Sentinel Hill. To Gideon, sawmill and land etc. Joseph . . . Benajah ½ that was John's. Abner ½ that was John's.

New Haven Probate Records, vol. 9, pp. 78. In 1756, Deacon Gideon and Lieut. Joseph Johnson both of Derby, heirs of Mr. Jeremiah Johnson Jr. petition for a settlement, the Dower of their mother being undivided. Deacon Gideon has 2/7 as eldest son, Joseph . . Benajah and Abner each 1/7. Zerviah (Johnson) Baldwin dec'd. her children 1/7. Elizabeth (Johnson) Chatfield, dec'd her children 1/9.

Jeremiah Johnson Jr. is buried in the Colonial burying ground Derby, Ct. with his father and son Benajah.

Lieut. Joseph, son of Jeremiah Jr. and Elizabeth Johnson married Margaret Harger, daughter of Samuel and Hannah (Stiles) Harger Jan. 24-1717, she was born Dec. 6-1695. Lieut. Joseph Johnson's was one of the first four families to live in what is now Seymour, Conn. In 1720 he bought a house from Abraham Pierson on South Main St. where he resided which place his son Joseph Jr. sold to Ebenezer Terrill Whittemore in 1776, occupied by Martin R. Castle in 1902. Lieut. Joseph Johnson died in Derby in 1761. his wife Margaret died in Derby, in 1774.

Conn. Colonial Records, vol. 9, pp. 49. "Joseph Johnson appointed Ensign of 1st Train band in Derby, 1744." (pp. 515.) "Mr. Joseph Johnson confirmed Lieut. of 1st Train band and Joseph Hulls, Captain."

New Haven Probate Records, vol. 9, pp. 531, gives the Will of Lieut. Joseph Johnson. "To wife Margaret land on Meeting House Hill, Derby, bounded east and west on Highways, north by land of Charles French and south on her own land 2½ acres. Also use of a piece of land on south end of Sentinel Hill at the place of the old Fulling Mill in Derby: contains about 8 acres, also my

former house lot lying east of the new fence south to the Brook: also lot lying south of House lot in bounds of Milford, the above House Lot lies in Derby at a place called Burnt Swamp. To son Joseph, 2 pieces of land on Meeting House Hill, bounded southeast on Joseph's land, north on Glebe Lot, northwest on Highway, ½ acre and also ¾ an acre."

New Haven Probate Records, vol. 10, pp. 22, from Inventory of Lieut. Joseph Johnson's estate. "4¼ acres on Meeting House Hill, Derby, called Coggsall's orchard, ¾ acre at North End. 1761."

The children of Lieut. Joseph and Margaret were: Joseph Jr. born Nov. 9-1717, Samuel born Dec. 23-1719, Jeremiah born Apr. 1-1722, Eliphalet born Apr. 1725 died 1741, Hannah born Feb. 16-1730, Nathaniel born Feb. 11-1732.

Joseph Jr. son of Joseph and Margaret (Harger) Johnson married Elizabeth daughter of Dr. John Durand, Aug. 9-1738. She was born Feb. 6-1719. He resided in the house where Deacon Edwin Lum now lives on Pearl St. Seymour. (1902.) Joseph Jr. died Mar. 10-1792 in Derby. Elizabeth died July 5-1786 in Derby. He was as public-spirited as his for-bears and in 1769 we find record of Joseph Johnson Jr. giving land for a school in what is now Seymour. Also in 1783 when the Falls Bridge was built, the money raised by the sale of Lottery tickets, as was the custom of the time, Joseph Johnson Jr. and his son Hezekiah held shares. 88 tickets were sold amongst 33 persons.

The children of Joseph Jr. and Elizabeth (Durand) Johnson were: Asahel born Aug. 15-1739, Elisha born Apr. 10-1741, Eliphalet born Aug. 22-1743, Jeremiah born Dec. 29-1745, Hezekiah born Nov. 6-1749, Margaret born Dec. 7-1750 died Feb. 10-1751, Joseph born Sept. 6-1752, Elizabeth born Mar. 14-1753 married Jehiel Hine. Margaret born June 16-1756.

Hezekiah son of Joseph Jr. and Elizabeth (Durand) Johnson married Rebecca daughter of Abraham and Lydia (Humiston) Tuttle of New Haven, Ct. Dec. 12-1784. (Note: This is according to the record in the Tuttle Genealogy and also "Seymour Past and Present." On the Derby Town Records, he is married on the same

date to Rebecca Jordon.) She was born in New Haven, Feb. 15-1753. He (Hezekiah) resided in the house where Henrietta Hitchcock lives in Seymour (1902). He died in Woodbridge, Ct. Nov. 15-1826, Rebecca his wife died in Derby May 1-1830. Their children were: Daniel born and died Dec. 6-1785, Elizabeth born Nov. 26-1786 (married Bela Northrop Nov. 2-1805), Newell born May 22-1789.

(Conn. Men in the Rev. pp. 8.) Revolutionary service of Hezekiah Johnson. "Lexington Alarm List from the Town of Derby, Jabez Thompson, Major. Nathaniel Johnson, Capt. John Humphreys, Sergt. Private Hezekiah Johnson. 2 days in service."

(pp. 407.) "Fifth Battalion raised June 1776 to reinforce Washington's army at New York and at battle of Kips Bay, Aug. 29-30, and White Plains Oct. 28. Term expired Dec. 25-1776. 1st Co. Capt. Nathaniel Johnson, 1st Lieut. Nathan Pierson, Privates Gideon and Hezekiah Johnson, Derby, Conn."

(pp. 513.) "Militia under Gen. Gates to the Nortward, Saratoga 1777."

Hist. of Derby, pp. 187. Oath of Allegiance. Hezekiah Johnson.

Conn. Militia, pp. 74, War of 1812. "Hezekiah Johnson, Corporal Aug. 18-1814 to Oct. 26-1814. Daniel Deming, Commander."

Hezekiah Johnson upheld the traditions of his family as a loyal citizen and one of those foremost in the up building of the town. He assisted in the support of the school and helped pay for the bridge built in 1783 over the Naugatuck River near Rimmon Falls. He died Nov. 15-1826 ae 77 and was buried in Rimmon burying ground. (Hist. of Seymour pp. 129.)

Newell son of Hezekiah and Rebecca (Tuttle) Johnson, married Esther daughter of Elias and Content (Baldwin) Carrington of Milford, Sept. 2-1810. He died in Westville, Conn. on June 11-1879 ae 91. His wife died Mar. 9-1866 in Westville. They removed from Humphreysville (Seymour) to Westville in 1833.

Their children were: Sheldon N. born May 5-1811 died Jan. 27-1853, Betsey Julia born May 1-1813 died July 6-1872, Richard Miles born Nov. 8-1814 died Jan. 26-1874, Esther Ann born Apr.

7-1817, Almira Minerva born Jan. 6-1821, Eliza Augusta born Sept. 10-1836.

Hist. of Seymour, pp. 69. "The shop in the fork of the road near the Methodist Episcopal Church was built in 1825 by Newell Johnson. The upper part of the building was used by him for a carpenter and cabinet shop and what coffins were required in the village were made there. He built the houses of Denzel Hitchcock and others. Newell Johnson's father Hezekiah, lived in the house now occupied by Jeremiah Durand." (1879.)

The following extracts from the History of Seymour show the active part Newell took in all pertaining to the good of the town. "In 1816 Newell Johnson who owns 13 shares in the school, sells out his part. In 1816 and 1822 Newell Johnson special committee on the school board. In 1827 clerk on the school board. The 1st Mill on site of Smith's paper mill was built in 1831 for Mr. Moshier, who purchased the land once owned by Rev. Jesse Johnson including the upper mill site now occupied by the rubber mill. Newell Johnson purchased the latter from Moshier and paid in work on the paper mill. He also built a small dam near the present rubber mill dam and a small machine shop."

He was a prominent Mason and one of the first signers to a declaration printed in 1832 of the principles of Morning Star Lodge No. 47 F & A M founded in 1804.

Richard Miles Johnson son of Newell and Esther (Carrington) Johnson was born in Derby on Nov. 8-1814 married at Southbury Conn. Oc. 4-1835 to Eliza Pulford (Fulford), who was born in Southbury in 1813 died in Ansonia, Conn. Sept. 15-1884 ae 71. He died in Bridgeport, Conn. Jan. 26-1874.

The children of Richard Miles and Eliza (Pulford) Johnson, so far as could be found, were Edward A. born in Derby Oct. 14-1841.

Derby Vitals, vol. 1, pp. 70. "March 23-1851, born Harriet N. daughter of Richard Miles Johnson. Iron Manufacturer."

New Haven Vitals, vol. 23, pp. 20. "Sept. 27-1869 Harriet Newell Johnson died in Ansonia, of consumption ae 18 yrs. born in Derby, parents Richard Miles and Eliza Johnson."

Derby Vitals, vol. 2, pp. 318. "Mary E. Johnson born in Westville, Ct. 1838. married in Ansonia, Conn. to Henry Cooper, Dec. 1-1858." He was born in Birmingham, Eng. and was 24 yrs. old, she was 20.

Derby Vitals, vol. 2, pp. 414. "Alice E. Johnson born in Westville, Conn. 1860 died in Derby, Mar. 1-1866 ae. 6 yrs."

Edward A. son of Richard Miles and Eliza (Pulford) Johnson was born Oct. 14-1841 in Derby, married in Fair Haven, Conn. Nov. 1-1864 to Harriet Almira Lanfair, who was born in Fair Haven Aug. 9-1841 died at Middletown, Conn. May 21-1880. He died Apr. 24-1884. New Haven Vitals, vol. 16, pp. 33. "Nov. 1-1864 by Rev. Geo. DeF. Folsom, minister of Fair Haven Cong. Church, Edward A. Johnson ae 23, born in Derby, Conn. Residence when married Ansonia to H. Almira Lanfair ae 23, born in Fair Haven, lives in Fair Haven."

Albert Lanfair son of Edward A. and Harriet Almira (Lanfair) Johnson was born in Ansonia, Conn. Mar. 8-1866.

Richard Miles Johnson was as active in the development of the then small village of Ansonia, as his ancestors were in the upbuilding of the mother town of Derby during the preceding hundred and ninety years, being associated with Almon and Franklyn Farrel in the manufacturing business. He was a machinist in the days when men knew their business thoroughly and from every angle. There are many of his drawings and inventions extant today. It is unusual to find a family of ten generations, all of them pioneers in their various localities, serving in the wars of their country, men of prominence and remaining within a radius of twenty-five miles from the first settler.

PETER JOHNSON FAMILY.

Peter Johnson born in England about 1608, was in Boston in 1638, removing to Fairfield, Conn., from Concord, Mass., with the Rev. Mr. Jones and a number of others. In 1638, Peter Johnson of Boston is called a Dutchman when Richard Rawlings was allowed to purchase his house. He was of Fairfield, Conn., about 1649, afterwards going to Pequonnock, near Golden Hill, Bridgeport. In 1651 he died leaving two sons, John and Ebenezer, and a baby born the same year of his death. (It is conjectured it was posthumous.)

In Conn. Colonial Records, pp. 226. "Mr. Andrew Ward and John Banks are desired to gather up and make sale of any estate of that which was sometimes Peter Johnson's of Fairfield, Conn. and that they shall therewith satisfie the charges of the nursing of the child of Goody Johnson. Oct. 6-1651."

The children of Peter Johnson as given in Seymour Past and Present pp. 489 were: Moses born 1643 located in Woodbury, Conn. Ebenezer born 1645 located in Derby. Abigail born 1648, John born 1650, Mercy or Mary born 1651 married Joseph Hawkins. Eunice born 1656, which is an error as the father died in 1651.

Ebenezer son of Peter settled in Stratford, Conn. removed to Derby about 1668 and married in 1671 Elizabeth daughter of Edward Wooster, one of the first settlers of Derby, and grandfather of Gen. David Wooster.

Derby Published Records, pp. 22. "Mar. 26-1672. Upon a Lafoll meeting of the Inhabetants of Pagaset thay have granted to Ebenezer Johnson a hom lott containing 4 akers lying at the South eand of Sentynall hill."

Apr. 3-1672. "thatt land which is fitt to make meadow on the west side of two mile brooks mouth at the great rivar side."

pp. 24. At a town meeting regarding the purchase of the minister's lot. Apr. 11-1672, it mentions "the last Commares (comers) to the place as, Ebenezer Johnson, Moses Johnson, John Tibbals, Stephen peirson and Joshua Hodgkis."

In 1678 Ebenezer Johnson is appointed constable, townsman and to keep ordinary (the first in town). In 1685 he was appointed Lieut. of the 1st regular military company organized in the town. During the same year he and Jeremiah Johnson built upon the land they owned in vicinity of Rock Rimmon.

In 1681 Sergt. Ebenezer Johnson's estate (personal) 2 persons. 36£., 3 horses, 3 oxen, 3 cows, 1- 3 yr old, 1- 3yr old horse, 1- 2yr old horse, 6 swine, 1- 2 yr old, Land, £.104, 16S.

In 1689 he was commissioned by the General Court to the office of Capt. in a volunteer company raised to aid England against the French in the twenty-four years war that followed. In this war he went on two expeditions to Albany and one to New York besides others against the Indians of his own state, and to protect the seacoast. He was also appointed as one of the commissioners, or governor's council for several years during the war and as such seems to have been depended upon as much as any one in the state.

He was justice of the peace from 1698 to 1716, and representative from 1685 to 1723, a term of thirty-eight years, the equal of which is seldom known in any state. For his public services the town gave him 175 acres of land at "Quaker's Farm", he also received of the state, by vote of the General Assembly, in 1700 three hundred acres of land as a recognition of his public services during the French and Indian War.

He was appointed seargeant-major of the New Haven county militia in 1704 and upon the Colonial Records for 1709 is the following: "Upon consideration of the age and long service of Maj. Ebenezer Johnson, major of the regt of militia in the county of New Haven this assembly have thought meet to excuse and do now hereby excuse and release him from further labour in that post", but the French war continuing he was commissioned Colonel of the expedition organized to go to Port Royal in 1710.

"Nov. 10-1710 Ordered paid unto Col. Johson 46s. for 8 gals of rum, which he bought at sea for the soldiers on board the brigantine instead of beer on the expedition against Port Royal."

After this expedition he was more respected and honored than before, although in 1701 the town clerk writes "The worshipful Major Johnson" denoting the highest honor.

Derby Published Records pp. 245. Dec. 1707. "Voted yt Maj. Johnson shall according to his desire set at the end of the pulpit in a short seat alone and yt the town be at suteable charge to make it hansome and convenient to entertain the said Major honorably: At the same time Voted yt Mrs. Bowers, Mrs. Johnson, and Mrs. Moss shall sit in said seat on the women's side next the pulpit which is made with banister like a pew."

Col. Johnson was participant in many stirring events, one of particular interest is spoken of in the Colonial Records of Conn. as follows, "Cyprian Nichols and Ebenezer Johnson were members of the Assembly in June 1687 when sundry of the Court at Hartford desired that the patent or charter might be brought into the court, which the record leaves in the box on the table at the adjurnment and with the key in the box, at which time perhaps the original charter was taken by Messrs Stanley and Talcott and concealed, it may be by Mr. Leete. Messrs. Nichols and Johnson were also members and present on the 31st of Oct. when Sir. Edmund Andros assumed the government and demanded the charter whereupon the incident of extinguishing the lights occurred and the duplicate charter was secured by Capt. Wadsworth. The Assembly met and sat late at night, the charter was ordered placed on the table, when suddenly all the candles were snuffed out at once and when relighted the charters were gone.

A story was told by Capt. David Treat Johnson of Oxford, Conn. concerning one of the women of this family showing they were as courageous as the men. One of his great grandmother's was seated in her kitchen one day when she heard a noise near her and saw an Indian's head protrude through a hole which he had made in the log wall; making no noise she seized an axe near by and bringing it down with all her might severed the head from the body,

pulling the latter into the room; another head appearing she repeated the performance until six decapitated Indians were within, if any others were outside they did not try to follow their companions." In those days of isolation and Indian alarms the women needed all their nerve for emergencies.

Col. Ebenezer Johnson married 1st Elizabeth daughter of Edward and Elizabeth (French) Wooster, on Nov. 23-1671. She died in 1672 leaving a baby daughter born Dec. 20-1672, who married Jeremiah Johnson Jr.

Col. Ebenezer Johnson married 2nd. Hannah daughter of Jonas and Hannah Tomlinson on Nov. 23-1676. He died Sept. 18-1726.

On New Haven Probate Records, vol. 5, pp. 317, Col. Ebenezer Johnson's will is given. To wife Hannah he gives maid servant Dinah and west side of his Mansion House, moveable goods, cattle etc. To son Peter, land in Camp's Mortgage, To son Ebenezer land above Bladen's Brook, also land in the "Quaker's Farm" Purchase. He divided his land at Seymour between his sons Timothy and Charles, one taking the east side of the River, and the other the west. His homestead on the southern side of New Haven Sentinel Hill he gave to his son Ebenezer Jr. and to Peter one hundred acres adjoining to Pootatuck River and another piece of fifty acres adjoining Two-mile Brook. He also mentions Grandson Return Strong. To daughter Elizabeth £70, also daughter Eunice Strong and Hannah Curtis. To Rev. Joseph Moss £5. Will probated Sept. 30-1726.

Col. Ebenezer Johnson's children by his 2nd wife were: Eunice born Aug. 22-1678, Hannah born Dec. 6-1680, Peter born Oct. 9-1684, Ebenezer born Feb. 22-1686, Israel born Apr. 13-1689 died Jan. 31-1712, Timothy born Dec. 23, 1693, Charles born Dec. 29-1696.

Col. Ebenezer Johnson was a man of most remarkable character and business ability, in 1706 he is said to have virtually transacted all the business of the town. He had great ability in all dealings with the Indians, they having the greatest respect and consideration for him, and in all difficulties with them was always chosen to treat with them and pacify them; he and Henry Wooster were

the two men skilled in all diplomatic dealings with the red men. Col. Johnson was a man of unquestioned courage and prominent in all the wars of his time from King Philip's down. It was during his fight with the Pequots that he is said to have found on the battlefield the next morning, "Tobie" then a small child, and taken him home as part of the spoils of war and brought him up to manhood when he gave him his freedom.

Col. Johnson's homestead was a little off the New Haven Road, and the remains of the cellar are still to be seen (1926). The house directly on the road he is said to have built and given to his son Ebenezer Jr. the ell on the rear is said to have been moved from the older house and may have been the slave quarters that housed the slaves of which he was possessed. The house is very interesting with two large chimneys, fine carved moldings and panelled doors. It is in very good condition.

Col. Johnson received all the honors the town and colony could give him and died at a ripe old age respected and beloved by all.

HARGER.

Jabez Harger, a Huguenot was in Stratford, Conn. before 1662. He married Margaret daughter of Henry and Alice Tomlinson of Stratford Nov. 5-1662. He was given a home lot which was recorded June 3-1669. He purchased land in Derby, Conn. where he settled a few years later, being one of the first settlers at the "North End." His first residence, according to Hist. of Derby, was located east of Edward Rigg's on Sentinel Hill. Jabez Harger died in 1678 his wife Margaret Mar. 17-1698. Their eldest son Samuel was born Sept. 29-1663 and married Hannah Stiles May 9-1693, of Stratford, and died about 1699. His widow (Samuel's) married John Tibbals, Mar. 28-1700.

Margaret daughter of Samuel and Hannah (Stiles) Harger was born Dec. 6-1695, and married Joseph Johnson Jan. 24-1717; she died in 1774 and her husband, Joseph in 1761.

The children of Joseph and Margaret (Harger) Johnson were: Joseph born Nov. 9-1717, Samuel born Dec. 23-1719, Jeremiah born Apr. 1-1722, Eliphalet born Apr. 1725, Hannah born Feb. 16-1730, Nathaniel born Feb. 11-1732.

Joseph Jr. son of Joseph and Margaret (Harger) Johnson married Elizabeth daughter of Dr. John Durand, Aug. 1738. Joseph Jr. resided in the Deacon Edwin Lum house on Pearl St. Seymour, Ct.

DURAND.

Dr. John Durand, a French Huguenot, was Derby's first real physician, and was in practice from about 1685 until his death forty years later. He married in Stratford, Elizabeth daughter of Richard Bryan and grand daughter of Alexander Bryan the great Milford merchant and was a wealthy man as figured in the early colonial days. He came to Derby about 1685 (according to Hist. of Derby) his residence being near Edward Wooster's at Derby Village. He possessed considerable property, and his wife inherited quite an estate from her father and grandfather. After the death of Edward Wooster, he purchased his farm and was engaged in considerable litigation with the town over their efforts to build a bridge and highway through it, finally moving to "Brownie Castle" situated on Academy Hill.

Dr. Durand served in the French and Indian Wars (Conn. Colonial Records, pp. 99, 1709.) "This assembly do nominate and appoint Dr. Jacob Read of Simsbury, Mr. Duran of Derby and Mr. Wheelar of Stratfield, to be chirurgeons and physitians to go with the army in the expedition against Canada."

In "Flower Fables and Fancies" by N. Hudson Moore, it says, "There is a tradition that the lilac was first brought to America by Dr. John Durand, a Huguenot who came to America in 1690 (date incorrect) from La Rochelle, France. With others of his faith he settled first in New Rochelle, N. J. named after his beloved home in France. Afterwards he removed with his family to Derby, Conn. Even in that time of perilous and uncertain traveling, room was found for such small shrubs and plants as they had managed to bring."

The Huguenots were famous gardeners and made the wilderness of this country veritably "blossom as the rose."

It is of interest to note how every Durand Homestead in Derby was famed for the beauty of its lilacs and other flowers and shrubs.

Seymour Past and Present gives the children of Dr. John and Elizabeth (Bryan) Durand as:

John born Nov. 10-1700, married 1st Sarah Lum. 2nd Sarah Chatfield.

Noah born Aug. 27-1707 married Abigail Riggs.

Joseph born Dec. 20-1709 married Ann Tomlinson.

Samuel born July 7-1713 married Mary . . . .

Abigail born June 2-1716 married Abner Johnson.

Ebenezer born Dec. 7-1724 married Hannah White.

Elizabeth daughter of Dr. John and Elizabeth (Bryan) Durand was born Feb. 6-1719 and died July 5-1786. Her husband Joseph Johnson died Mar. 10-1792.

Their children were: Ashahel born Aug. 15-1739, Elisha born Apr. 10-1741, Eliphalet born Aug. 22-1743, Jeremiah born Dec. 29-1745, Hezekiah born Nov. 6-1749. Margaret born Dec. 7-1750 died Feb. 10-1751, Joseph born Sept. 6-1752, Elizabeth born Mar. 14-1753, Margaret born June 16-1756.

An abstract of Dr. John Durand's will of Derby. (New Haven Probate Records, vol. 5, pp. 393.) "Sept. 4-1727. Elizabeth, widow and John Durand appointed administrators on his estate. Elizabeth appt'd guardian to Elizabeth, Abigail and Mary three minor children daughters of the dec'd, and Samuel Durand another minor child of dec'd, having his desire of Rev. Joseph Moss of Derby should be his guardian. John Durand of Derby is appnt'd guardian of Ebenezer Durand another son of dec'd. The inventory mentions "3½ acres above the Long Lot. 1 cerurgeons knife, Physick and other Cirurgeons and barbers Instruments." "The family were John and Andrew (full age) Noah 20½. Joseph 18. Samuel 15. Ebenezer 3. Abigail 12. Elizabeth 9. Mary 6," as given in the will.

TUTTLE.

William Tuttle came with the first settlers of New Haven in 1639. In 1656 he bought of Joshua Atwater his house, homelot and barn in the Yorkshire Quarter between land of Thomas Johnson and that of Mrs. Constable's.

The Tuttle Homestead was the only land owned by Yale College for nearly 30 years. In the 243 years from the first purchase of it from the Indians, it was held by five proprietors, Joshua Atwater 16 years, Hester Coster 5 years, First Church of New Haven 26, Yale College 166 years. Mr. Tuttle and Mr. Gregson were the first owners of land in East Haven. Thomas Tuttle's lot adjoined his father's on the south.

In seating the Meeting House the first seat near the pulpit was the seat of honor, this was given to William Tuttle. He had 12 children born and raised in the old Homestead.

Thomas Tuttle born in England 1634, married May 21-1661 Hannah daughter of Thomas Powell. Thomas Tuttle was a cooper: chosen Packer 1672-74. Guager and Packer 1704. Juryman 1682. Constable 1683, excused from training on account of gout 1689.

One of the appraisers of the estate of James Davids (Col. John Dixwell, one of the regicides) President Stiles of Yale College says "Thomas Tuttle I have been told, assisted in laying out Mr. Dixwell and there is some reason to believe he was the very person that privately dug Whalley's grave and assisted at his interment here." (Stiles' Hist. of the Judges.)

He (Thomas Tuttle) lived and died on what is a part of College Square. The property was held by Tuttle's for 133 years. "Mrs. Constable 1639 to 1652. Thomas Wheeler 1652-1657. Thomas Tuttle and descendants 1657 to 1780. John Scott 1780-1796. Yale College 1796-1882." His children were: Hannah born 1661 mar-

ried Joshua Hotchkiss. Abigail, Mary, Thomas, John, Esther, Caleb born Aug. 29-1678 married 1699 Mary Hotchkiss. Joshua who married Mary Mix and Martha, nine children in all.

Caleb son of Thomas Tuttle, was prominent in the secession from the First Church Society, which resulted in the organization of the Second Society known as the "North Church" corner of Church and Elm St. also known as the "Blue Meeting House" because it was painted blue. His first wife was Mary Hotchkiss of East Haven, 2nd wife Hannah Butler of Branford. He knew all about the Regicides and told many a tale concerning them before his death in 1751.

Abraham Tuttle son of Caleb, was born Feb. 16-1722. bapt. Mar. 4-1723, married Jan. 22-1741 Lydia Humiston. In 1799 administration given to son Richard. (Tuttle Gen. pp. 135-136-176-177.) Rebecca daughter of Abraham was born Feb. 15-1753 died May 1-1830 ae. 78, married Dec. 12-1784 Hezekiah Johnson, who died Nov. 15-1826 ae 77. (It is also recorded on the Land Records of Derby Hezekiah Johnson and Rebecca Jordon married Dec. 12-1784, so she may have been a widow.)

The son of Hezekiah and Rebecca Johnson, Newell was born May 21-1788 and died June 11-1879 ae 91, married Sept. 2-1810 Esther daughter of Elias Carrington of Milford, Esther died Mar. 9-1866.

CARRINGTON.

Peter Carrington of New Haven, Doctor, died in 1727, married Ann daughter of William and Sarah (Thomas) Wilmot, widow of Benjamin Lines. Ann was born Feb. 26-1669-70, died after 1727. (New Haven Vitals.) Noadiah seventh child of Dr. Peter and Ann Carrington was born Dec. 12-1706 in Woodbridge, Conn. He married Hannah daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Barnes) Moulthrop who was born Apr. 10-1709 at East Haven.

Elias, second child of Dr. Noadiah and Hannah (Moulthrop) Carrington was born May 17-1735. bapt. May 9-1736 at New Haven, First Congregational Church: he died Aug. 6-1800 ae 66, he was a Doctor, settled in Milford, Conn. in 1758 or 9 where he married soon after Esther Northrop, who was born Sept. 30-1744 and died Apr. 14-1817 ae 72. (New Haven Genealogical Magazine, pp. 367.)

Dr. Elias Carrington was one of the founders of the New Haven Medical Soc. in 1784. He did a large professional business. (New Haven Historical Papers, vol. 2, pp. 339.)

In 1852 a monument was erected in Milford, Conn. to the memory of 46 American soldiers who with their companions were set ashore there to the number of about 200 by an English ship. Forty-six died of small pox and were buried in one common grave. Dr. Carrington and Capt. Stowe volunteered to accompany the sick soldiers to a temporary hospital that was erected for them and helped tend them. (Recollections of Milford, pp. 12.)

The following account is given in New Haven Historical Papers, pp. 202: "In Dec. 1776 shortly before night there appeared off the harbor of Milford a British vessel, carrying at her "fore" a flag of truce: darkness increasing she was soon lost sight of. Near to the beach was the house of Capt. Isaac Miles an earnest patriot, who

with his sons was sitting before his fire, hearing unusual sounds outside he opened the door and found the yard filled with a large number of wild, forlorn looking creatures in a most deplorable condition, suffering for want of food and clothing. On that bitter winter night they had been turned ashore from that ship and left on the beach to shift for themselves. The Miles family and neighbors sheltered these released American prisoners, and in a day or two they were removed to the Town Hall which was prepared for them and in this building these men were stricken with fever (46) and died, as well as Stephen Stowe who contracted it while in attendance upon them."

Revolutionary Service of Dr. Elias Carrington. Lineage Book, D. A. R., vol. 17, pp. 233. "Dr. Elias Carrington (1735-1800) was appointed by the Assembly in 1776 to examine and give certificates to applicants who desired to serve as surgeons or surgeons mates in the army or navy."

Dr. Elias and Esther (Northrop) Carrington had Elias born Feb. 19-1764 married 1st Mar. 25-1792 Content Baldwin. 2nd Anna Oviatt widow of Isaac Baldwin. Their children were Esther who married Sept. 2-1810 Newell Johnson. Esther died Mar. 9-1866. Other children of Dr. Elias were Albert, Betsey, Nelson and Hetty.

The children of Newell and Esther (Carrington) Johnson were:

Sheldon N. born May 11-1811 married Eliza Patchen.

Betsey Julia born May 1-1813 married Leroy Peck.

Richard Miles born Nov. 8-1814 married Eliza Pulford.

Esther N. born Apr. 7-1817 married Edw. Hardill. Almira Minerva born June 6-1822 married Henry Norton. Eliza Agusta born Sept. 10-1836.

FULFORD (PULFORD).

Abraham Fulford clothier was in Stratford, Conn. previous to 1700, where he married Phoebe daughter of James Clarke Sen. In 1700 they removed to Watertown, then part of Ancient Woodbury of which he was one of the proprietors, and established the first fulling mill in the colony, where he combed the wool, wove and fulled the cloth. He later returned to Stratford.

His wife Phoebe died in Woodbury Oct. 22-1717. His children so far as records were found were: Gershom born 1701. Phoebe born June 10-1703. Rebeckah born July 5-1715, both were bapt. May 25-1718 in Woodbury. Eunice married Samuel Beardsley of Stratford. Judith born 1707.

John died Sept. 26-1717. ("supposed died by a ram" he may be one of their children.)

The following data which has been collected from different sources is given just as found.

It is a family tradition that John Pulford was the father of Abel Pulford who married Anna Summers.

In the Hist. of Waterbury it states that in "Northbury" the only inhabitant that appeared in 1721 was Gershom Fulford a blacksmith who moved over from Woodbury and practiced his trade 7 years. In 1755 he was appointed 2nd Lieut. of the 4th company in the Colonial wars. a sergt. between 1721-54.

In 1722 a lot was granted to Gershom Fulford at Waterbury. Henry Cook of Litchfield bought in 1727 of Gershom and Abigail Fulford heirs of Stephen Welton, land in what was Northbury.

In the Hist. of St. John's church Waterbury 1759-1768 it mentions as paying church tax Gershom, John, Jonathan and Titus Fulford.

Abigail wife of Gershom Fulford died Nov. 22-1790 ae 90 years.

Gershom Fulford died Jan. 7-1791 ae 90, both in Westbury.

(John Fulford born 1735 died May 3-1804 ae 69 at Westbury.

John Fulford 2nd regt. Mar .27 to Nov. 16-1758. In 1759 "centinel" discharged Dec. 2.

First Census of 1790 "John Fulford, 2 white males over 16 including heads of families. 1 under 16. 8 females including heads of families, living then at Watertown, Conn.

Waterbury in the Rev. pp. 373. David Fulford, James Fulford (shoemaker), Lieut. John Fulford, Noah and Titus.

(pp. 417.) John Fulford at the siege of Boston 1775, pp. 463. Lieut. John Fulford.

Married in Roxbury John Fulford and Elizabeth Hurlburt. June 11-1760.

Early Conn. Marriages, vol. 7, pp. 92. "Abel Pulford of Newtown and Anna Somers married at Huntington, Conn. Jan. 22-1799."

Abel had a saw mill at Kettletown below Southbury, where he dealt in lumber, sawed it, etc. He lived there with his family for a while and then moved to Southbury. He died in Southbury, June 30-1858 ae 81.

Ann wife of Abel Pulford died Aug. 5-1851 ae 77.

The following children of Abel and Ann (Somers) Pulford were born in Southbury. Harriet Sept. 27-1801. Garwood b. Mar. 2-1804. Caroline b. June 2-1806, David b. Aug. 14-1808, Elliott b. Apr. 2-1810, Norman b. Apr. 28-1812, Eliza b. Nov. 28-1813, Janet b. Oct. 2-1815.

"Richard M. Johnson married Eliza Pulford daughter of Abel and Ann Pulford in Southbury." (Cothren's Ancient Woodbury, pp. 433.,)

One of the early settlers of Watertown was Lieut. J. Fulford. Jonathan Fulford was one of the founders off the Episcopal church in 1764. Jonathan was "centinel" in Colonial wars and branded the horses for the towns in the Colonies.

Edmund Pulford married Elizabeth Beardslee Nov. 13-1713. died Feb. 12-1719-20. (Hist. of Stratford) children were: Joseph

b. Aug. 9-1714 married Mary Mallory Feb. 14-1737-8. Elizabeth b. Oct. 27-1715.

Waterbury in the Revolution. "Dr. to Ensign Fulford (David) for 8 bu. coal 1749. Mill service."

Conn. in Revolution, pp. 516. Sergt. Edmund Phulford, Joseph Phulford, (pp. 550). New Haven Alarm and Fairfield. Edward Phulford.

Joseph Phulford June 12-1776 to Nov. 16, prisoner at Ft. Washington, Capt. Abel's Co. of Fairfield, Conn.

Samuel Phulford June 12- to Jan. 12 same company. pp. 415-416.

Hist. of Stratford. Thomas Fulford went to Ticonderoga. 1775 June 26- Nov. 29.

Norman Fulford died Dec. 6-1877 ae 64 in Southbury. born 1812.

Garwood died Nov. 6-1868 ae 68. b. 1800. (a discrepancy here.)

Isaac Fulford married at Southbury Olive Tyler. Dec. 12-1791.

Tyler, son of Isaac and Olive Fulford (Pulford) born Dec. 18-1792.

Gershom son of Isaac and Olive born Nov. 16- at Southbury.

Died Apr. 24-1763 Dorcas Fulford's child, in Westbury. Apr. 16-1791 died Dorcas Fulford ae 51.

SOMERS.

Henry Somers came to Stratford, apparently in company with Samuel Gregory, who was supposed to be his brother-in-law, before 1668. Whether they had just come from England or not is unknown. The town records say that Samuel Sumors purchased of his uncle Samuel Gregory, four acres of land in 1696, near Golden Hill (Bridgeport). Henry Somers purchased his first land in Stratford, Conn. "27 of 1st month 1668 land lying at Pequannock bounded east with Pequonnock River, south with the Indians land, north on common, this he sold the same day to Samuel Gregory. In 1686 he was living at Pequonnock (a part of Bridgeport) his dwelling being located probably a little south of what is now the junction of Park and Washington Ave. Here was his residence in 1707, but in 1710 he lived in Milford. (Hist. of Stratford, pp. 244 and 130.) His will is recorded in New Haven dated Sept. 1-1713. In it he mentions his wife, three sons and six daughters. The children of Henry Somers were Samuel, Henry, John, Sarah, Hannah, Mary, Abigail, Patience, Martha, Joseph.

Sergt. Samuel son of Henry married Abigail . . . children were: Samuel and Abigail twins bapt. June 30-1700. David bapt. Feb. 8-1701. died 1761. Nathan bapt. Nov. 14-1703. died 1772. Abigail bapt. Oct. 21-1704 married . . . Jackson. Deborah bapt. Mar. 13-1708-9. Hannah bapt. June 2-1717 died 1755. Sarah bapt. Dec. 23-1711. Daniel bapt. 1713 died 1789-99. Ruth bapt. June 21-1719. Jabez bapt. 1721 died 1801.

Ensign Samuel born in Newtown, Conn. son of Sergt. Samuel married Rebecca Gregory in Litchfield, Conn. and settled there while it was yet a wilderness and later removed to Newtown, Conn. His children were: Samuel born Feb. 8-1723-4 at Litchfield. Robert born Mar. 10-1725 at Litchfield. Eleanor born July 22-1726 at

Newtown. Ebenezer born Aug. 21-1727. Henry born July 5-1729. Gershom born Oct. 8-1730. Benjamin born Jan. 8, 1733-4. Rebecca born Nov. 4-1735. Luke born Feb. 1-1736-7. Jerusha born Aug. 11-1738 died Oct. 1739. Jerusha born Feb. 27-1740 married Dr. Lemuel Wheeler. Mark born Sept. 6-1741 died 1765. John born Sept. 10-1743.

Luke son of Ensign Samuel had children William, Abraham, Samuel, Abba, Betsey, Lemuel, Phiolena, David, Annie, Polly, descendants of whom are in Huntington, Woodbury and Bridgeport.

Conn. in the Rev. pp. 612. "In Ripton Parish 32 ablebodied men have enlisted and chosen their officers as follows. Jan. 1-1777, John Yates. Capt. Jonas Blackman. Lieut. John Judson. Ensign. Joseph Burdley. Sergt. Luke Summers. Sergt. Enoch Blackman. Sgt."

Annie Summers daughter of Luke is supposed to be the one whom Abel Pulford married in Newtown, Conn.

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LANFAIR.

Russel Lanfair born July 8-1775. (East Haven Town Records, pp. 9.) He married Mehitable Goodsell, Oct. 6-1797, and died Apr. 26-1840. Capt. Russel Lanfair sailed the seas and traded with the West Indies. He had just returned from a voyage and was about to land in his canoe; it was an unseasonably hot day and he had a sudden stroke of apoplexy dying instantly. His sons and sons-in-law were all sea captains and in the shipbuilding business, according to local tradition.

New Haven Probate Records, vol. 49, pp. 233. "May 16-1840. Estate of Russell Lanfair late of New Haven, East Haven administration declined by the widow and is granted to John R. and Horace S. Lanfair who appeared in court and accepted the trust."

Inventory included 3 stone sledges, 3 hammers, crowbar, stone drill, etc. besides real estate.

Mehitable (Goodsell) Lanfair widow of Russell died Feb. 3-1868 ae 94.

The children of Russell and Mehitable Lanfair were: Sarah Amanda born July 2-1799. married Horace Chidsey Apr. 4-1819. Mary Anne born Mar. 29-1801 married Alfred G. Mallory Apr. 18-1830. John Russell born July 15-1806. Horace Scott born June 7-1808. Nancy Zerviah born Feb. 22-1811 married Hezekiah Tuttle Aug. 8-1830. Luiza born May 17-1814 bapt. Oct. 9-1814. married Edwin Barnes Mar. 4-1832. George Hale born Oct. 3-1818 bapt. Jan. 10-1819 married Adeliza Ball.

John Russell Lanfair married Abigail D. Lancraft Feb. 15-1832. Their children were: Mary S. born Nov. 18-1832. Jane born Aug. 24-1834 married Henry A. Griswold Oct. 11-1856. Anne Maria born Oct. 30-1836 died Jan. 26-1851. George Russell born Nov. 30-1838. Harriet Almira born Aug. 9-1841. married Edward A.

Johnson Nov. 1-1864. Abbie J. born Apr. 10-1843. Horace Albert born Mar. 27-1846 died the same day. Elizabeth Estelle born Mar. 13-1851 died July 25-1853. Lillie Maria born Aug. 2-1853. The above data was taken from the manuscript records of Rev. Mr. Havens of East Haven, Conn. and some from the town records.

New Haven Vitals, vol. 8, pp. 44, death of female child of John R. Lanfair July 24-1853. ae 2 yrs. 4 mos. buried in Fair Haven. Lanfair, born in New Haven Aug. 2-1853 1 female child. parents John R. and Abby Lanfair. John 40 yrs. old. Abby 44 yrs. old. Residence Fair Haven. Father a sea captain.

Vol. 4, pp. 103. Landfear at New Haven Sept. 22-1830 married Horace Landfear and Esther Sanford.

New Haven Probate Records, vol. 83. Mary Landcraft, East Haven June 15-1858 administrator on estate of John R. Lanfair of New Haven dec'd.

East Haven Church Records, pp. 49. Apr. 14-1819. Horace Chidsey and Sally A. Lanfear married.

Capt. Russell Lanfair b. July 15-1806 d. June 6-1889.

Abby Lancraft his wife b. Nov. 30-1808 d. May 15-1881. (Union Cemetery, Fair Haven.)

GOODSELL.

Dodd's East Haven, pp. 121. Edward Goodsell married Lydia Luddington in 1770. Their children were: Jesse b. 1771, Mary b. 1772, Mehitable b. Mar. 20-1774 who married Russell Lanfear, Ame b. 1776 married Joseph Holt Jr. 1797. Ann b. 1780.

Edward was the son of Dan and Abigail (Moulthrop) Goodsell, the latter were married June 30-1748.

Dan was the son of Samuel and Mary (Frisbie) Goodsell born June 16-1724.

Samuel Goodsell son of Thomas of Branford 1679, Stoney River 1692, married Sarah Hemingway 1684. Samuel was born Feb. 28-1685.

Rev. Mr. Havens' East Haven Manuscript Records. "Dan Goodsell (Samuel 1st) married Abigail Moulthrop (John 2nd) June 30-1748. Their children were Edward married Lydia Luddington (Jesse 1st) Oct. 4-1770. Their daughter Mehitable born Mar. 20-1774 married Russell Lanfair 1795. died Feb. 4-1868."

Conn. Men in the Revolution, pp. 552. "Edward Goodsell served Feb. 4-5 Tryon's invasion of New Haven. Capt. Bradley's Co. of Matrosses (artillery) 1779."

(pp. 560.) "Mar. 14-1780 to Jan. 1-1781, same company."

(pp. 515.) "State Guards 1781. Corp. Edward Goodsell Jan. 13- to Apr. 1-1781."

LANCRAFT.

Dodd's Hist. East Haven. pp. 83. The "Stone Church" of East Haven, a wonderful specimen of architecture, was built entirely under the guidance and dictation of George Lancraft, the first. He was born in 1724, a native of Holland and at the time of the building in the prime of life. He was the only skilled workman, employing the men and farmers of the town to assist him, both in gathering the material and in its fashioning into a church, and that he was a perfect master of his business the structure bears witness. There is a tradition that every stone was measured by his rule and placed by his level. It is one of the oldest meeting houses in the state and the *oldest stone* meeting house standing in all New England. It was commenced in 1772 and completed in 1796 and the whole cost was $12,000.00.

Revolutionary service. D. A. R. Lineage Book, vol. 16, pp. 170. George Lancraft 1st. served in the defence of East Haven in the Tryon Invasion 1779. He also aided in building the earth works at Beacon Hill. In the War of 1812 when it was necessary to strengthen and add to the fortifications of New Haven Harbor, the adjoining towns were called on for assistance. Beacon Hill was then the defence known as Ft. Wooster.

George Lancraft 1st born 1724 died Sept. 17-1807. ae. 83 of an accident. (said to have been struck by lightning.) married Sarah Jocelyn (Nathaniel 1st) Feb. 6-1766. Their children were: Mary born 1767 married Joseph Hill. Infant born and died 1769.

George 2nd born 1771 died Dec. 16-1840. Nathaniel born 1774 removed to Virginia 1794-5. Abigail born 1776 married John St. John. Joseph born 1775 died Mar. 10-1786-7. Simeon born 1779 died June 17-1854. Thomas born 1782 died June 16-1851. Joseph

born 1785 died Sept. 20-1863. Amaziah born 1787 died Oct. 1-1836.

George 2nd (George 1st) married Mary Day (born 1775 died May 10-1858) in 1794. daughter of William Day 1st. Their children were Sarah born 1796 married Joseph Shepard (Joseph 1st) Dec. 11-1825. Nathaniel born 1798 died 1870. William T. born 1800. Mary Maria born 1803 married Lyman Potter. (Hamden, Conn.) June 25-1823. Almira born Oct. 10-1806 died Apr. 9-1860. married Ai Russell (John) May 12-1833. Abigail born Nov. 30-1808 married on Feb. 15-1832 Russell Lanfair (Russell 1st). Lucius born 1812.

Amaziah Lancraft. (George 1st) died Oct. 11-1836. Child of George 1st died 1776. Child of George 1st died 1778. George 2nd died Dec. 16-1840 ae 69. Joseph (George 1st) died Mar. 10-1786 ae 9. Joseph (George 1st) died Sept. 20-1863 ae 78. Mary Day wife of George 2nd died May 10-1858 ae 84. Sarah Jocelyn wife of George Lancraft 1st died May 29-1827 ae 80.

The above was taken from the Rev. Mr. Havens East Haven manuscript Records.

East Haven Town Records, vol. 3. Joseph Shepard and Sarah Lancraft both of East Haven married Dec. 11-1825.

pp. 166. Lyman Potter of Hamden married Mary Maria Landcraft June 25-1823.

pp. 229. George Landcraft 2nd one of the Key Keepers 1823.

pp. 328. Thomas Landcraft and Nancy Shepard both of East Haven married Nov. 8-1840. East Haven Church Records, pp. 46. Dec. 24-1812 married, Joseph Landcraft to Mrs. Dorcas Snow both of East Haven. Jan. 14-1813 married, Simeon Landcraft to Hannah Curtis, both of East Haven. pp. 65. Mar. 3-1816 bapt. the following adults. Thomas Lancraft.

pp. 69. June 27-1821 Bapt. Merrit child of Joseph Landcraft.

New Haven Vital Records, pp. 528. Oct. 15-1827 married William Landcraft and Amanda Frost. (North Haven.)

pp. 921. Lucius Landcraft, of East Haven married to Eunice Hitchcock. Nov. 7-1841.

pp. 703. died in New Haven Mar. 8-1836 Lucy Ann Landcraft ae 17 yrs.

pp. 931. Lewis E. Shelly married Grace Landcraft. May 1-1842.

pp. 596. Geo. W. Benedict married Mary Landcraft Aug. 7-1839.

pp. 570. Nathaniel Landcraft and Mrs. Mary Ann Maria Curtis both of East Haven married Oct. 4-1835.

NOTE: According to record on New Haven Vitals of child born to John R. and Abby Lanfair, in Aug. 1853, when John was 40 yrs. old and his wife Abby 44, would make his birth date 1813 and hers 1808 or 9. This would make his inscription on tombstone inaccurate.

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